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Application No.

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Examiner

DAVID LAZARO

Applicant(s)

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All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85) or other appropriate communication will be mailed in due course. **THIS NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RIGHTS.** This application is subject to withdrawal from issue at the initiative of the Office or upon petition by the applicant. See 37 CFR 1.313 and MPEP 1308.

1. ☒ This communication is responsive to the amendment filed 01/25/2008.
2. ☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are 1-33.
3. ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
 - a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some* c) ☐ None of the:
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4. ☐ Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit of Biological Material
5. ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application
6. ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413),
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7. ☒ Examiner's Amendment/Comment
8. ☒ Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance
9. ☐ Other _____.

/David Lazaro/
Primary Examiner, Art Unit 2155

DETAILED ACTION

1. The oath filed 01/25/2008 is accepted by the examiner.
2. The rejection of claim 18 under 35 USC 112, second paragraph, is withdrawn based on applicant's amendment.

EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

3. An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it **MUST** be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Harry Smith (32,493) on 04/30/2008.

The application has been amended as follows:

Please amend the claims according to the attached listing of claims.

Examiner Comments

4. The claim language regarding the "managing" of the transport connection js removed in the examiner's amendment for clarifying purposes. Particularly, it was not clear as to how the "managing" in the preamble was being achieved in relation to the subject matter in the body of the claim. After discussions with the applicant, it was decided to remove the "managing" language in order to clarify the overall invention.

Allowable Subject Matter

5. Based on the examiner's amendment, Claims 1-33 are allowed.
6. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance: The primary reasons for allowance is the inclusion of the following limitations in each of the independent claims where a transport layer connection is created through a service management request and protocol registration:

“ adopting with the at least one created transport layer connection at least one profile from one transport protocol to another different transport protocol; and
reusing at least one profile component from the one transport protocol for the another different transport protocol via a short range connectivity management mechanism” (as from claim 1, similar limitations in claims 16, 17, 24, 30)

This subject matter is not found in the prior art, nor is it obvious in view of the prior art.

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If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Saleh Najjar can be reached on 571-272-4006. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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/David Lazaro/
Primary Examiner, Art Unit 2155

EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT TO THE CLAIMS:

This listing of the claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of the claims in this application.

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) A method ~~for managing at least one transport connection~~ comprising:

providing a generic architecture management framework;

creating at least one transport layer connection, comprising receiving a service management request and performing protocol registration through at least one of a socket server and a communication server;

adopting with the at least one created transport layer connection at least one profile from one transport protocol to another different transport protocol;
and

reusing at least one profile component from the one transport protocol for the another different transport protocol via a ~~central~~ short range connectivity management mechanism.

2. (Original) A method as in claim 1, where one protocol is a Bluetooth protocol.

3. (Original) A method as in claim 1, where one protocol is a Universal Serial Bus protocol.

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4. (Original) A method as in claim 1, where one protocol is an Infrared Data Association protocol.

5. (Original) A method as in claim 1, where one protocol is an RS232 protocol.

6. (Original) A method as in claim 1, where one protocol is a wireless protocol.

7. (Previously Presented) A method as in claim 1, where one protocol is a wired protocol.

8. (Original) A method as in claim 1, where the generic architecture framework comprises an object exchange related service.

9. (Currently Amended) A method as in claim 1, wherein ~~managing the at least one transport connection comprises providing~~ the short range connectivity management mechanism comprises a short range connectivity application, application engine and generic platform.

10. (Currently Amended) A method as in claim 1, ~~wherein managing the at least one transport connection further comprises~~ comprising performing service registration and discovery.

11. (Currently Amended) A method as in claim 1, ~~wherein managing the at least one transport connection further comprises~~ comprising loading a connectivity component to perform channel reservation and service registration for a Bluetooth protocol.

12. (Currently Amended) A method as in claim 1, ~~wherein managing the at least one transport connection further comprises~~ comprising loading a connectivity component to perform channel reservation and service registration for a Universal Serial Bus protocol.

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13. (Currently Amended) A method as in claim 1, ~~wherein managing the at least one transport connection~~ further ~~comprises~~ comprising establishing a link between an object exchange data link library and a service controller.

14. (Currently Amended) A method as in claim 1, ~~wherein managing the at least one transport connection~~ further ~~comprises~~ comprising providing an application programming interface to manage at least one service for a Bluetooth protocol.

15. (Currently Amended) A method as in claim 1, ~~wherein managing the at least one transport connection~~ further ~~comprises~~ comprising providing an application programming interface to manage at least one service for a Universal Serial Bus protocol.

16. (Currently Amended) A computer readable medium storing program instructions for directing a computer to perform operations that comprise:

creating at least one transport layer connection, comprising receiving a service management request and performing protocol registration through at least one of a socket server and a communication server;

processing transport layer initialization, connection, and registration functionality;

adopting with the at least one created transport layer connection at least one profile from one transport protocol to another different transport protocol;
and

reusing at least one profile component from the one transport protocol the another different transport protocol via a ~~central~~ short range connectivity management mechanism.

17. (Previously Presented) A mobile terminal, comprising a wireless transceiver, a data processor, and a memory for use in communicating with at least one of a wired and a wireless protocol utilizing a transport software subsystem that is used in common with a plurality of transport protocols, where said transport software subsystem comprises an architecture management framework configurable to create at least one transport layer connection, comprising receiving a service management request and performing protocol registration through at least one of a socket server and a communication server, where the created at least one transport layer connection is configured to adopt at least one profile from one transport protocol to another different transport protocol and to reuse at least one profile component from the one transport protocol for the another different transport protocol.

18. (Previously Presented) A mobile terminal as in claim 17, where the transport software subsystem operates in conjunction with an operating system.

19. (Original) A mobile terminal as in claim 18, where the operating system comprises a Symbian operating system.

20. (Original) A mobile terminal as in claim 17, where one protocol is a Bluetooth protocol.

21. (Original) A mobile terminal as in claim 17, where one protocol is a Universal Serial Bus protocol.

22. (Previously Presented) A mobile terminal as in claim 17, where the transport software subsystem provides an application programming interface to manage at least one service for a Bluetooth protocol.

23. (Previously Presented) A mobile terminal as in claim 17, where the transport software subsystem provides an application programming interface to manage at least one service for a Universal Serial Bus protocol.

24. (Currently Amended) A method ~~for managing at least one transport connection~~ comprising providing a generic architecture management framework, creating at least one transport layer connection, comprising receiving a service management request and performing protocol registration through at least one of a socket server and a communication server, adopting with the at least one created transport layer connection at least one profile from one transport protocol to another different transport protocol, and reusing at least one profile component from the one transport protocol for the another different transport protocol, wherein creating a transport layer connection comprises receiving a service management request and performing protocol registration through at least one of a socket server and a communication server.

25. (Previously Presented) A method as in claim 24, where the one protocol is one of an Infrared Data Association protocol, an RS232 protocol, an OBEX protocol, an USB protocol and a Bluetooth protocol.

26. (Previously Presented) A method as in claim 24, where the created transport layer connection comprises a wired connection.

27. (Previously Presented) A method as in claim 24, where the created transport layer connection comprises a wireless connection.

28. (Currently Amended) A method as in claim 24, ~~where managing the at least one transport connection comprises~~ further comprising providing a short range connectivity application, application engine and generic platform.

29. (Currently Amended) A method as in claim 24, ~~where managing the at least one transport connection comprises~~ further comprising performing service registration and discovery.

30. (Previously Presented) An apparatus comprising:

means for creating at least one transport layer connection, comprising means for receiving a service management request and performing protocol registration through at least one of a socket server and a communication server;

means for adopting with the at least one created transport layer connection at least one profile from one transport protocol to another different transport protocol; and

means for reusing at least one profile component from the one transport protocol for the another, different transport protocol; ~~and~~

~~means for receiving a service management request and performing protocol registration through at least one of a socket server and a communication server.~~

31. (Previously Presented) An apparatus as in claim 30, where the one protocol is one of an Infrared Data Association protocol, an RS232 protocol, an OBEX protocol, an USB protocol and a Bluetooth protocol.

32. (Previously Presented) An apparatus as in claim 30, where the created transport layer connection comprises a wired connection.

33. (Previously Presented) An apparatus as in claim 30, where the created transport layer connection comprises a wireless connection.